

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY SINGAPORE

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 6215

INFO AMCONSUL HONG KONG

AMEMBASSY KUALA LUMPUR

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EEWT, ENRG, CPAS, VN

SUBJECT: AMERICAN OIL MEN INTERESTED IN VIETNAM

REF: HONG KONG 10997

SINGAPORE BASED OIL CONSULTANT WILLIAM KAHLA MENTIONED  
REFTEL IS A U.S. CITIZEN AND PRESIDENT OF KEXCO OIL,  
WHICH EMBASSY UNDERSTANDS IS A HONG KONG-REGISTERED  
FIRM. KAHLA IS RELIABLY REPORTED TO HAVE MET  
SEVERAL TIMES WITH SRV DIRECTORATE OF OIL AND GAS  
OFFICIALS DURING THEIR JULY VISIT TO SINGAPORE. WE  
DO NOT KNOW NATURE OF KAHLA'S DISCUSSIONS WITH  
VIETNAMESE (HE IS CURRENTLY ON BUSINESS TRIP TO  
INDONESIA), OR WHETHER HE HAS PLANS TO VISIT VIETNAM.  
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